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EXPLANATION OF CONCURRENT FILING OF CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION

Sir:

This letter to explain that, on the same date (today) as the accompanying Petition For Extension of Time for One (1) Month, Applicant is also filing a Continuation-In-Part (CIP) application, claiming priority from the present application.

According to instructions from the Inventors Assistance Center at the USPTO, the CIP application is being separately Express Mailed to the USPTO today, without the above Mail Stop, since it is a patent application.

Due to the filing of this Petition, the CIP application should have proper co-pendency with the present application. Thus, it should have a proper priority claim for all subject matter in common with this application.

If you have any questions or need any further information regarding these filings, please contact me at the telephone number indicated below. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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